



March 14, 2024

TO: THE DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF VALENCIA COLLEGE

FROM: DR. KATHLEEN PLINSKE
President

RE: AWARD OF ITB #2024-14, AIR HANDLER UNIT (AHU) REPLACEMENT, EAST CAMPUS

As part of Florida's 2022 General Appropriations Act, Valencia College was awarded \$17,571,279 in federal SFRF funds to address deferred building maintenance challenges. Using a portion of this funding, the College intends to replace twenty-two (22) Air Handler Units (AHU) at the East Campus. The project provides a turnkey solution which includes, but is not limited to, demolition and removal of existing air handlers and installation of new units.

Bids submitted in response to the ITB were received and opened on February 9, 2024. The following four (4) qualified firms submitted bids in response to the solicitation: Bernhard MCC, LLC, Climate Control Mechanical Services, Inc, Mechanical Services of Central Florida, Inc. and Sherman Mechanical Contractors, LLC.

The Procurement Department, along with the Director of Facilities Planning and Operations, reviewed the bids for compliance with qualifications, completion of all the required documents, adherence to scope of work, and pricing. A bid tabulation sheet was completed, and all responsive and qualified firms were ranked by overall price. The review determined Bernhard MCC, LLC to be the top ranked firm at \$4,267,470.

RECOMMENDED ACTION:

The President recommends that the District Board of Trustees of Valencia College authorize the College to award ITB 2024-14, Air Handler Unit Replacement at East Campus, to Bernhard MCC, LLC, as presented. Should the College not be able to negotiate a mutually agreeable contract with Bernhard MCC, LLC, negotiations will cease, and negotiations will commence with the second-ranked bidder and so on until a fair, competitive, and reasonable agreement is reached.



President